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SUBJ: ENERGY--NETHERLANDS MISSION TO UN RECOMMENDATION TO HAGUE RE UN INVOLVEMENT ENERGY PROBLEMS

- 1. VAN GORKOM (NETHERLANDS MISSION TO UN) INFORMED AMB FERGUSON LATE FRIDAY, JAN 18 THAT HE HAD RECOMMENDED, ON BEHALF OF HIS MISSION, TO THE HAGUE THAT THE HAGUE TAKE INITIATIVE IN CALLING FOR A SPECIAL ECOSOC SESSION TO DETERMINE UN ROLE IN ENERGY CRISIS AND POSSIBLY CALL FOR ENERGY CONFERENCE UNDER SPONSORSHIP OF ECOSOC. VAN GORKOM ASKED FOR LIKELY U.S. REACTION.
- 2. AMB FERGUSON INDICATED HE WOULD REPORT MATTER TO WASHINGTON. HE UNINSTRUCTED ON SUCH A MATTER BUT HIS PERSONAL OPINION INDICATED THAT WASHINGTON APT TO BE EXTRAORDINARILY CONFIDENTIAL

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COOL TO PROPOSAL. IN ANY EVENT AMB FERGUSON STATED THAT

HE WAS 99 PERCENT CERTAIN THAT DEPARTMENT WOULD BE ADAMANT AGAINST SUCH AN INITIATIVE BEFORE CONSUMER CONFERENCE SCHEDULE FOR FEB 11. FERGUSON FURTHER STATED THAT GIVEN STATE OF PLAY IN REGIONAL ECONOMIC COMMISSIONS, AND WITHIN SECRETARIAT AND UPCOMING CRUNCH ON INDIAN ECONOMY, HE PERSONALLY WOULD RECOMMEND DEPARTMENT TAKE A NEGATIVE ATTITUDE TOWARD INVOLVING ECOSOC IN ENERGY MATTERS AT ANY LEVEL ABOVE ITS PRESENT INVOLVEMENT AS SUPERVISORY COUNCIL OF REGIONAL ECONOMIC COMMISSIONS.

3. APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT VIEWS ASAP. BENNETT

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